



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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P.B. Onderdonk, Jr.
National Judge Advocate
The American Legion
Indianapolis, IN 46206

RE: MUR 5060
The American Legion Magazine

Dear Mr. Onderdonk:

On August 18, 2000, the Federal Election Commission notified The American Legion Magazine of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act").

On November 28, 2000, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint and information provided by the respondents, that there is no reason to believe The American Legion Magazine violated the Act. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on November 28, 2000. A Statement of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision will follow.

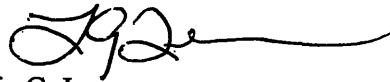
The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437 g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

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If you have any questions please contact Alva E. Smith, the staff member assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

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